

If you want to adjust your status to permanent residence (Green Card), please visit the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) website for instructions: www.uscis.gov

If you were admitted to the United States as a refugee or as a qualifying family member of an asylee, you are eligible to apply for permanent residence (a green card) 1 year after your entry into the United States.

If you were granted asylum in the United States, you are eligible to apply for permanent residence 1 year after the grant of your asylum status.

As a refugee, you are required by law to apply for permanent resident status 1 year after being admitted to the United States in refugee status. As an asylee, you are not required to apply for permanent resident status after being granted asylum for 1 year, although it may be in your best interest to do so.

Refugees: You will need to have Form I-693, signed by you and the civil surgeon, with only the vaccination portion completed.

You may have the vaccination portion of the Form I-693 completed at any state or local health department or may choose to make an appointment with a civil surgeon designated by the USCIS to conduct medical examinations.

Asylees: You should have Form I-693, Report of Medical Exam and Vaccination Record completed and signed by a civil surgeon.